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SUBJECT: SOVIET SHORT WAVE RADIO INTERFERENCE

REFS: (A) STATE 306077, (B) MOSCOW 19803, (C) OSLO 5938

1. EMBOFF CONVEYED SUBSTANCE OF US DIPLOMATIC NOTE TO SOVIETS ON RADIO INTERFERENCE IN REF (A), AS AMENDED BY REF (B), TO AMBASSADOR-AT-LARGE HAAKON NORD IN NORWEGIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY. NORD WAS PLEASED TO LEARN THAT USG HAD ELEVATED ITS PROTESTS TO DIPLOMATIC LEVEL IN MOSCOW, AND HOPED THAT THIS WOULD ADD TO WEIGHT (OR LACK THEREOF) THAT SOVIETS PLACED ON EARLIER NORDIC PROTESTS. NORD FEELS THAT US NOTE MAKES ALL THE RIGHT POINTS, AND ENDS IN A PROPERLY SERIOUS VEIN.

2. REGARDING CONTINUING INTERFERENCE HERE, AMB NORD TOLD EMBOFF THAT SOVIET TRANSMISSIONS HAVE NOT RPT NOT CEASED TO BE A PROBLEM, THOUGH LEVELS HAVE GONE UP AND DOWN SPORADICALLY LATELY. IN THE NEWEST DEVELOPMENT (ALSO REPORTED BY THE PRESS), EVEN THE NORWEGIAN TELEVISION BAND HAS BEEN DISTURBED.

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3. NORD PERSONALLY REMAINS PESSIMISTIC THAT SOVIETS WILL STOP INTERFERENCE BECAUSE OF PROTESTS. HE NOTES THAT INTERFERENCE IS OF MILITARY NATURE AND THAT SANCTIONS IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AREA ARE NONEXISTENT. WHILE MATTER CONTINUES TO RECEIVE ATTENTION IN NORWEGIAN PRESS, NORD FEELS THAT IT WILL TAKE A TRAGEDY (A SEAMAN DYING BECUASE HIS SHIP WAS UNABLE TO

REQUEST MEDICAL HELP, E.G.) BEFORE NORWEGIAN PUBLIC OPINION,
AND THEREFORE POLITICAL OPINION, WILL REALLY BECOME AROUSED.
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